10/16/2007 Special BMA (Road Hearing)

SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN (ROAD HEARING)

October 16, 2007

5:30 PM Aldermanic Chambers City Hall (3rd Floor)

In the absence of the Mayor the Clerk called the meeting to order.

On motion of Alderman O'Neil, duly seconded by Alderman Pinard, it was voted to elect Alderman Shea as Chairman Pro-Tem awaiting the arrival of the Mayor.

Chairman Shea called for the Pledge of Allegiance; this function led by Alderman Long.

A moment of silent prayer was observed.

Mayor Guinta arrived.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Aldermen Roy, Gatsas, Long, Duval, Pinard, O'Neil, Shea, Garrity, Smith,

and Thibault. Alderman Lopez arrived late.

Absent: Alderman Osborne, DeVries, Forest.

Mayor Guinta advised that the purpose of the road hearing is to hear those wishing to speak in favor of or in opposition to a proposed street discontinuance petition, followed by viewing the area of the petition and determination of the action to be taken on such petition. Such petition shall be addressed at which time the Public Works Director shall be requested to make a presentation following which those wishing to speak in favor will be heard, followed by those wishing to speak in opposition. Anyone wishing to speak must first step to the nearest microphone when recognized and state his/her name and address in a clear, loud voice for the record. Each person will be given only one opportunity to speak and any questions must be directed to the Chair.

A. Petition to discontinue Knox Street, Clay Street, Webster Street, Jefferson Street, Vernon Street and a 20' Passageway

Mayor Guinta requested that Kevin Sheppard, Deputy Public Works Director, make a presentation.

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Mr. Sheppard reviewed the petition presented reading excerpts of a communication from

Frank Thomas dated September 18, 2007 regarding the petitioned areas which reflected no

formal acceptance of dedications or return of layout for these streets were found in the City

records nor did it appear that these streets were ever built or their proposed locations used by

the public. There were no questions from the members of the Board present.

Mayor Guinta called for those wishing to speak in favor. There were none.

Mayor Guinta called for those wishing to speak in opposition. There were none.

On motion of Alderman Pinard, duly seconded by Alderman Thibault, it was voted to recess

the hearing and proceed to view the area of petition presented.

Mayor Guinta called the meeting back to order at the site of the petition.

Item 3A. Petition to discontinue Knox Street, Clay Street, Webster

Street, Jefferson Street, Vernon Street and a 20' Passageway

Mr. Sheppard reviewed a map of the area and advised of where the dead ends of the un-built

roadways were located, and described the areas from trees through parking lots and

responded to general questions regarding the area.

On motion of Alderman Long, duly seconded by Alderman O'Neil, it was voted to approve

the petitions for discontinuance as presented subject to reserving any utility easements as

may be required.

There being no further business to come before the special meeting, on motion of Alderman

Lopez, duly seconded by Alderman Thibault, it was voted to adjourn.

A True Record. Attest.

City Clerk